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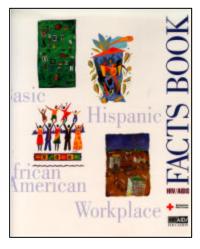
SHARP "Facts" Course Information Sheet

SHARP encourages professional growth and offers a variety of courses to support continuing education in the field of sexual health by offering a variety of courses each with a differing focus. While any course will suffice for the basis training component to become a SHARP Instructor, SHARP encourages individuals to complete as many courses as possible. A Certificate of Completion is offered for every SHARP course and Continuing Education Credits may be available for a specific course.

There are 3 requirements to become a registered SHARP Instructor:

- 1. Complete the SHARP "HIV Policy" self-study course.
- 2. Complete the <u>registration form</u> and "HIV Policy" examination answer sheet (contained in the registration form).
- 3. Complete basic training in the field of sexual health. This requirement is satisfied through one of the two options:
- Completion of a <u>SHARP sponsored course</u> or
- Training as MD, EHO, PMT, IDC, or nurse.

Credentialed health care providers, including Nurses, Physicians, Preventive Medicine Technicians, and Environmental Health Officers, may have substantial knowledge of HIV/AIDS. NEHC will provide these instructors with a personal copy of the American Red Cross Facts Book, intended to help them bridge the gap between knowing the facts and responding to questions that people in the community may likely ask*. Each medical professional will be sent a Facts Book upon registration with SHARP.



Note: Review of the *Facts Book* does **not** fulfill requirements for certification by the **Red Cross** as an HIV Instructor. People who desire certification by the American Red Cross are also invited and encouraged to complete the American Red Cross requirements.